Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development)* : It is under me even now. The moment it is assigned the whole thing comes under the Agricultural Department which is under the Minister.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters)* : Has the Hon'ble Minister any control whatsoever on the Food Production Officer ?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development)* : Yes.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar *(Cheruthuruthi)* : Sir, in view of the answer that the main work of the Food Production Officer consists in assignment of land, will the Government be pleased to change the name " Food Production Officer " ? The officer is appointed to assign lands and if the name is changed all this confusion can be remedied.

Mr. President : We are just considering the change of the name.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters)* : On a point of personal explanation. I am not one with Mr. Warriar asking for a change of the name.

Mr. President : This is question time.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters)* : If the President will kindly allow, I do not join with him to change the name. I am not dissatisfied with the present arrangement. But the Hon'ble Minister was championing the cause of the non-officials and saying that he was asking for more and more powers.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam)* : May I know, Sir, whether the Hon'ble Member for Planters wants to get all the soil analysed in every survey number to see whether it is suitable for cultivation ?

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural)* : May I know whether Government insist on cultivating special kinds of foodstuffs in the land that they assign to people ?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development)* : There is some arrangement like that.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri)* : May I know, Sir, whether the Revenue Department assigns these lands or the Food Production Officer ?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development)* : The Food Production Commissioner is given revenue powers and he does it.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri)* : May I know whether the two departments are working jointly ?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development)* : Completely jointly.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South)*: If the Food Production Commissioner is in complete charge, to a question put, it was stated that he had plenary powers and that he was consulting the Minister, the Diwan Peishkar and other people in necessary cases.

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government)*: That word "consult" I admit is not happy.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar *(Cheruthuruthi)*: Was it not because the normal work of the department will not be able to cope with the assignment of these that a special officer was appointed ?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development)*: Yes. It was at my special request.

Mr. K. Kochukunhan Kaimal *(Vadakkancheri)* : Who is the authority who checks and supervises the work of the Food Production Commissioner ?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government)* : So far as the formal leasing is concerned it is the Diwan. In other respects it is the Diwan and the Minister together.

Mr. K. Kochukunhan Kaimal *(Vadakkancheri)* : So, one half of the work of the Food Production Officer is under the Minister and the other half is under the Government.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri)* : Are not officials under the transferred half under Government ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government)* : Yes.

NUMBER OF COURT SALES HELD IN ALL THE COURTS IN THE STATE IN THE YEARS 1115, 1116, AND TILL THE END OF DHANU, 1117

367. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam)* : Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) (*i*) the number of court sales held in all the Courts in the State in the years 1115, 1116 and in 1117 till the end of Dhanu this year ; (*ii*) the number confirmed during each of the period referred to above ;

(*b*) (*i*) the total amount involved in these sales for the periods referred to in (*a*) (*i*) and (*ii*) ; (*ii*) the total amounts for which these properties were bid showing separately the amounts for each of these periods.

(Properties include movables and immovables. Please show separate figures).

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(*c*) the total value of immovable properties which have changed hands by the Court sales referred to above in (*a*) (*i*) and (*ii*); (*i*) for which it was bid (*ii*) for which it was confirmed;

(*d*) the number of Court sales in which adjournment was granted at the request of the judgment-debtor on payment of interest in advance for the period for which the sale is adjourned;

(*e*) whether there were such requests for adjournment from judgment-debtors on condition that they will be prepared to deposit in advance the interest for the period for which the sales are adjourned;

(*f*) if so, the number of such petitions (*i*) presented in all the courts within the periods referred to in (*a*) (*i*); (*ii*) the number of such petitions allowed, and (*iii*) the number of such petitions dismissed?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government)*: (*a*) (*i*) and (*ii*) vide statement appended.
(*b*) (*i*) and (*ii*) vide statment appended. } *(Appendix I)*.
(*c*) Vide statement appended.
(*d*) Nil.
(*e*) Nil.
(*f*) Nil.

INCOME-TAX SURVEY—RESULTS OF

368. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether an income-tax survey was conducted in the State during the years 1113 and 1114;

(*b*) if so, who were the surveyors and where were they posted;

(*c* what were the results of the survey, how many assessees were newly enlisted and how much revenue was realised in each of the divisions in 1113 and 1114;

(*d*) what was the normal increase in income-tax and super tax revenue on account of the survey work referred to in (*a*);

(*e*) why was the survey discontinued;

(*f*) have Government any idea of conducting a new income-tax survey;

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government)*:

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) 1. Mr. E. S. Velayudhan, Surveyor, Southern Division till 9th Mithunam 1114 and then Surveyor, Northern Division till the end of 1114.
2. Mr. K. Ramankutty Ezhuthassan, Surveyor, Northern Division, till 9th Mithunam 1114 and then Surveyor, Southern Division till the end of 1114.

(*c*) A statement is appended. *(Appendix II)*.

(*d*) About Rs. 1,50,000.

(*e*) The survey work was in progress for about 2 years and all assessees that could be enlisted were enlisted and so there was no necessity for continuing the survey.

(*f*) A temporary staff consisting of a Surveyor and two clerks have been appointed to gather additional information required under the new Act regarding existing assessees and also to enlist new cases that may have to be enlisted under the new Act.

FOWLER'S PROCESS—ANNOYANCE CAUSED BY

369. Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South)*: Will Government be pleased to state whether the Fowler's process causes annoyance and nuisance to the people living round about the place where it is conducted?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government)*: No, if the process is efficiently supervised.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South)*: May I know, Sir, whether the Fowler's process is efficiently supervised?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government)*: Yes, it is efficiently supervised.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South)*: If it is efficiently supervised, it will cause no annoyance.

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government)*: Even under the best supervision, breeding of flies and such like things are inevitable. It is not correct to say there is absolutely no annoyance whatsoever, because we know well that when the night-soil is mixed with rubbish it is bound to produce some bad smell.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South)*: Will that smell not come under annoyance or nuisance? Is it what the Hon'ble Joint Secretary means?

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efficacy of the prayer of their own people for the perfection of marriages, such marriages might even be declared null and void according to the law if not registered.

Mr. President : I nave to announce that the Senior Rani passed away at Trichur and the House is adjourned as a mark of respect.

The House stood adjourned sine die at 12-14 p.m.

K. S. RAGHAVAN
Secretary to the Council

APPENDIX I

(*a*) *(Vide answer to Question No. 367)*

Year	(*i*) No. of sales held		(*ii*) No. confirmed		Remarks
	Movables	Immovables	Movables	Immovables	
1115	78	872	78	606	
1116	70	1335	70	905	
1117 (till the end of Dhanu)	21	235	21	165	

(*b*)

Year	(*i*) Total amount involved in these sales for the periods referred to in a (*i*) and (*ii*)		(*ii*) Total amounts for which these properties were bid	
	Movables	Immovables	Movables	Immovables
1115	13,431 6 8	6,29,781 13 7	10,693 11 4	3,73,107 9 6
1116	23,044 9 5	10,35,480 5 5	21,357 12 6	6,07,440 12 9
1117	4,191 12 0	3,99,845 4 10	3,966 1 3	4,84,715 9 7

(*c*)

Year	Total value of immovable properties which have changed hands by the court sales referred to above	
	(*i*) for which it was bid	(*ii*) for which it was confirmed
1115	3,18,882 15 4	3,02,341 13 11
1116	5,35,727 3 6	5,36,130 11 7
1117 (till the end of Dhanu)	1,03,093 1 3	71,368 10 3

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